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1. AS POINTED OUT IN PARA 16 OF REF C, GON MUCH MORE SYMPATHETIC TO GOALS OF GROUP OF 77 THAN IS THE US OR MOST OF HOLLAND'S EC PARTNERS. DUTCH, HOWEVER ARE CONCERNED WITH CERTAIN PARAGRAPHS IN DRAFT CHARTER AND HAVE BEEN ACTIVELY SEEKING COMPROMISES IN GENEVA AND ELSEWHERE.

2. EMBOFF MET WITH BARK, ACTING CHIEF FOR UNCTAD AFFAIRS IN MFA OCTOBER 4 TO MAKE POINTS IN REF A. BARK THOROUGHLY FAMILIAR WITH PROBLEM, AND HAD BEEN EXPECTING EMBASSY DEMARCHE. HE SAID THAT HE HAD BEEN EXPECTING EMBASSY DEMARCHE. HE SAID THAT HE WAS IN BRUSSELS OCTOBER 2 FOR EC CAUCUS ON ISSUE, AND THAT USG POSITION HAD BEEN REPORTED ORALLY BY ITALIANS.

3. EC STILL HAS NO AGREED UPON POSITION, AND SIGNIFICANT POLICY DIFFERENCES EXIST BETWEEN NINE. ACCORDING TO BARK, DUTCH AND GERMANS REPRESENT POLAR EXTREMES IN EC. BARK DID, HOWEVER, BELIEVE THAT EC WOULD BE PREPARED TO DISCUSS POSSIBLE VOTING POSITIONS DURING NEW YORK CONSULTATIONS OCTOBER 7.

4. GON, ACCORDING TO BARK, DOES NOT "RECOIL IN HORROR," AS SOME OF OTHERS IN WEO GROUP TO TO G-77 PROPOSALS. INDEXATION IS NOT REJECTED IN PRINCIPLE, BUT DUTCH WOULD PREFER THAT EMPHASIS BE ON TERMS OF TRADE AND NOT SPECIFICALLY CONNECTED TO COMMODITY PRICES. BARK SAID THAT WHAT G-77 SEEKING ON INDEXATION WOULD BE IMPOSSIBLE TO ACHIEVE. EVEN USE OF WORD "INDEXATION" TENDS TO ADD TO POLARIZATION. HE SAID THAT MEXICO AND INDIA HAD ADVANCED SUBSTITUTE PARAGRAPH DURING INFORMAL MEETINGS OF GROUP OF SIX IN GENEVA WHICH FOCUSED ON ADJUSTMENTS IN TERMS OF TRADE. THIS LANGUAGE WAS ACCEPTABLE TO GON, AND, HE THOUGHT, WITH MINOR MODIFICATIONS WOULD PROBABLY BE ACCEPTED BY FRG, EC COUNTRY WHOSE

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POSITION ON CHARTER MOST LIKE THAT OF US.

5. BARK SAID THAT IRISH, DUTCH AND BELGIANS HAD URGED THAT EC NOT TAKE SUCH RIGID POSITION ON NATIONALIZATION. GON BELIEVES SOME ACCOMMODATION BETWEEN RIGHT OF NATIONALIZATION AND REQUIREMENT FOR COMPENSATION IN ACCORDANCE WITH INTERNATIONAL LAW CAN BE ACHIEVED. SINCE G-77 SO ADAMANTLY OPPOSED TO REFERENCES TO

INTERNATIONAL LAW--WHICH THEY HAD NO PART IN ADOPTING--
GON BELIEVES WEO COULD LIVE WITH REFERENCE TO INTER-
NATIONAL OBLIGATIONS. BARK SAID THAT IRISH DELEGATION
IN BRUSSELS HAD BEEN MOST SYMPATHETIC TO G-77 SPONSORED
CHARTER. IRISH HAD IN FACT STATED THAT, GIVEN THEIR
OWN STAGE OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, THEY INCLINED LEAN
MORE TOWARD G-77 DESIRES THAN TOWARD OTHER EC
PARTNERS.

6. DUTCH THINK US IS FIGHTING LOSING AND UNREALISTIC
BATTLE ON QUESTION OF PRODUCERS ASSOCIATIONS. EVEN IF
CONCEPT NOT ENSHRINED IN CHARTER, THERE WILL BE NOTHING
TO PREVENT SUCH ASSOCIATIONS COMING INTO BEING. DUTCH
MINISTER FOR DEVELOPMENT COOPERATION, PRONK, IS,
ACCORDING TO BARK, INCLINED AGREE WITH G-77 THAT
LDCS HAVE RIGHT USE THEIR RAW MATERIALS AS THEY SEE FIT
AND TO THEIR BEST ECONOMIC ADVANTAGE.

7. BARK, WHO HAS BEEN VERY FORTHCOMING IN DISCUSSIONS
WITH US, SAID THAT THERE NO AGREED UPON EC VOTING
POSITION AT MOMENT, BUT GROUP WOULD PROBABLY BE READY
DISCUSS VOTING WITH US OCT 7. J. BOEKSTAL, DIRECTOR
FOR ECON COOPERATION WITH DEVELOPING COUNTRIES IN
ECON MINISTRY, WILL GO TO NEW YORK THIS WEEKEND TO
HANDLE QUESTION FOR GON. BARK SAID USG SHOULD NOT BE TOO
SURPRISED IF DUTCH NOT WILLING VOTE AGAINST CHARTER.
HE SPECULATED THAT IF G-77 PUSHES FOR VOTE IN UNGA,
DUTCH WILL ABSTAIN ON OFFENSIVE PARAS, BUT PROBABLY
VOTE FOR CHARTER.
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